Furnaces in blast.

454. There were four furnaces in blast during the year—one at Londonderry, N.S., two at Drummondville, Que., and the Radnor furnaces near Three Rivers, Que. and the amount of pig iron produced was 25,921 tons. The quantity of pig iron imported was 89,359 tons, and, as none was exported, the quantity consumed was about 115,280 tons, valued at \$1,619,918.

Value of iron and steel manufactured 1889.

455. As far as returns are available, the value of iron made in Canada in 1889 was \$2,763,062, and of steel \$973,282; but these figures are known to be under the mark.

Imports of iron and steel 1888 and 1889.

456. The following is a comparative statement of the imports of iron and steel into Canada in the years 1888 and 1889, showing also the duty collected:—

IMPORTS OF IRON AND STEEL INTO CANADA, 1888 AND 1889.

Articles.	1888.		1889.	
	Value.	Duty.	Value.	Duty.
	8	s	\$	<u> </u>
Pig iron	840,605	273,326	1,120,046	357,358
Slabs, blooms, &c	$80,252 \\ 337,738$	46,479	$28,142 \\ 509,662$	13,008 $78,423$
Scrap iron and steel Ferro manganese, &c	44,275	$54,138 \\ 7,096$	48,141	6,517
Iron, manufactures of	1,305,081	516,924	1,339,010	392,392
Steel do	973,971	222,487	765,063	154,572
Iron and steel, manufactures of	2,359,042	452,051	2,876,409	651,222
Castings and forgings	549,561	227,050	357,721	201,210
Railroad iron and steel	1,586,003	49,327	2.606,459	54,264
Highly finished articles, about.	3,700,000	1,150,000		
Total	11,776,528	2,998,878	9,650,653	1,908,966

World's production of iron and steel.

457. The following table gives the world's production of pig iron and steel, principally in 1889. Tons of 2,240 pounds are used with reference to Great Britain, the United States, Russia and "Other Countries," and metric tons of 2,204 pounds for continental countries:—